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PETITIONS FOR SPECIAL HEARING \* BEFORE THE IN RE:

AND VARIANCE - SW/S Beecham Court

\* DEPUTY ZONING COMMISSIONER and Avery Hill Drive (Lots 169,

170 & 171, Worthington Park, Sec. 3)

4th Election District OF BALTIMORE COUNTY

3rd Councilmanic District

Case No. 96-271-SPHA

Prospect Farm Limited Partnership

Petitioner

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1) The Petitioners may apply for their building permit and be granted same upon receipt of this Order; however, Petitioners are hereby made aware that proceeding at this time is at their own risk until such time as the 30-day appellate process from this Order has expired. If, for whatever reason, this Order is reversed, the relief granted herein shall be rescinded.

TIMOTHY M. KOTROCÓ

Deputy Zoning Commissioner

for Baltimore County

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Baltimore County Government Zoning Commissioner Office of Planning and Zoning



Suite 112 Courthouse 400 Washington Avenue Towson, MD 21204

(410) 887-4386

March 5, 1996

David M. Meadows, Esquire 4111 E. Joppa Road Baltimore, Maryland 21236

RE: PETITIONS FOR SPECIAL HEARING AND VARIANCE SW/S Beecham Court and Avery Hill Drive (Lots 169, 170 & 171 of Worthington Park, Section 3) 4th Election District - 3rd Councilmanic District Prospect Farm Limited Partnership - Petitioners Case No. 96-271-SPHA

Dear Mr. Meadows:

Enclosed please find a copy of the decision rendered in the above-captioned matter. The Petitions for Special Hearing and Variance have been granted in accordance with the attached Order.

In the event any party finds the decision rendered is unfavorable, any party may file an appeal to the County Board of Appeals within thirty (30) days of the date of this Order. For further information on filing an appeal, please contact the Zoning Administration and Development Management office at 887-3391.

Very truly yours,
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TIMOTHY M. KOTROCO

Deputy Zoning Commissioner

for Baltimore County

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cc: Mr. Larry Macks, Prospect Farm Limited Partnership 4750 Owings Mills Boulevard, Owings Mills, Md. 21117

People's Counsel

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ARVLAND	for the property located at 40+ \$ 169

96-271-SPHA

This Petition shall be filed with the Office of Zoning Administration & Development Management.

The undersigned, legal owner(s) of the property situate in Baltimore County and which is described in the description and plat attached hereto and made a part hereof, hereby petition for a Variance from Section(s)

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of the Zoning Regulations of Baltimore County, to the Zoning Law of Baltimore County; for the following reasons: (indicate hardship or practical difficulty)

See Attached Statement of Reasons

Property is to be posted and advertised as prescribed by Zoning Regulations.

I, or we, agree to pay expenses of above Variance advertising, posting, etc., upon filing of this petition, and further agree to and are to be bound by the zoning regulations and restrictions of Baltimore County adopted pursuant to the Zoning Law for Baltimore County.

Contract Purchaser/Lessee*  (Type or Print Name)	We do solomnly declare and affirm, under the penalties of perjury, that I/we are the legal owner(s) of the property which is the subject of this Petition.  Legal Owner(s):  Prospect Farm Limited Partnership
Signature	Signatule  Larry Macks, Partner
Address  City State Zipcode	(Type or Print Name) Signature
Attorney for Petitioner:	1700
David M. Meadows (Type or Print Name)	4750 Owings Mills Blvd. (410)356-9937
11/00/	Address Phone No.
	Owings Mills, MD 21117
Signature	City State Zipcode  Name, Address and phone number of legal owner, contract purchaser or representative to be contacted.
4111 E. Joppa Road (410)529-4600	
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# STATEMENT OF REASONS 96-271-39HA

Variance from Section 1A04.3B(2) to allow a 15' setback from any lot line in lieu of the required 50' in a RC-5 zone.

The proposed area variance is for an existing subdivision owned by the Petitioner, known as Worthington Park. The zoning for the subdivision ranges from DR-1 (71.78 acres), DR-2 (28.47 acres), RC-5 (4.15 acres). The specific portion of Worthington Park that is the subject of Petitioner's variance petition is a cul-de-sac consisting of five large residential lots. Two of the lots in the subdivision (Lots 167 and 168) are entirely in the DR-1 zone. The remaining three lots, which are the subject of this Petition are partially in the DR-1 zone and partially in the RC-5 zone.

As can be seen from the attached plat, not only are Lots 169-171 subject to two zoning classifications, they also straddle the metropolitan district extension line for water and sewer services. The subdivision, however, provides both water and sewer service to each of the lots in Worthington Park, including Lots 169-171.

As recounted in the zoning regulations, the RC-5 zoning classification was established for rural residential development, in areas where basic services were not anticipated. Therefore, the RC classification has very large setbacks, both from proposed roadways and adjacent residential lots. However, in Worthington Park, the balance of the property is zoned either DR-1 or DR-2, and all of the lots in the subdivision regardless of their zoning have both public water and sewer access, along with other utilities.

THEREFORE, it is reasonable to allow an area variance in these unique circumstances to allow the three lots owned by the Petitioner, which are surrounded by DR lots, to have comparable setback area variances. The granting of the Petitioner's application will alleviate the practical difficulty of having otherwise identical lots with significantly different setbacks. And for other reasons or justifications which will be presented to the hearing officer during the hearing on this Petition.

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# W. DUVALL & ASSOCIATES, INC.

Engineers • Surveyors • Land Planners

96-271-SPHA

ZONING DESCRIPTION

PART OF WORTHINGTON PARK SECTION THREE

4TH ELECTION DISTRICT BALTIMORE COUNTY, MARYLAND

BEGINNING for the same at a point being South 70 degrees 52 minutes 04 seconds West 45.61 feet from the centerline intersection of Avery Hill Drive (variable width) and Beecham Court (50 feet wide), said point also being designated as coordinate point No. 3026, all as shown on a plat entitled "Resubdivision Of A Portion Of Section Three Plat Four Worthington Park" and recorded among the Land Records of Baltimore County in Plat Book S.M. 65 folio 66; thence

- 1) South 21 degrees 34 minutes 47 seconds East 14.85 feet: thence
- 2) South 20 degrees 45 minutes 21 seconds West 81.39 feet: thence
- 3) North 72 degrees 05 minutes 34 seconds West 745.27 feet: thence
- 4) North 23 degrees 57 minutes 37 seconds West 33.57 feet; thence
- 5) North 72 degrees 05 minutes 34 seconds West 237.09 feet: thence
- 6) North 72 degrees 10 minutes 08 seconds East 67.94 feet: thence
- 7) Northeasterly 741.79 feet along a tangent curve concave to the southwest having a radius of 772.78 feet (the chord of said are being South 80 degrees 19 minutes 56 East 713.64 feet) to a point of tangency: thence along a tangent bearing
- 8) South 52 degrees 50 minutes 00 seconds East 156.95 feet: thence
- 9) Southeasterly 92.68 feet along a tangent curve concave to the northeast having a radius of 507.40 feet (the chord of said arc being South 58 degrees 03 minutes 57 seconds East 92.55 feet) to the point of beginning.

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ZONING DEPARTMENT OF BALTIMORE COUNTY 96-27 SPHA
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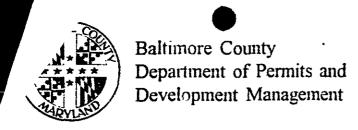
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THIS IS TO CERTIFY, that the annexed advertisement was
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# ZONING HEARING ADVERTISING AND POSTING REQUIREMENTS & PROCEDURES

Baltimore County zoning regulations require that notice be given to the general public/neighboring property owners relative to property which is the subject of an upcoming zoning hearing. For those petitions which require a public hearing, this notice is accomplished by posting a sign on the property and placement of a notice in at least one newspaper of general circulation in the County.

This office will ensure that the legal requirements for posting and advertising are satisfied. However, the petitioner is responsible for the costs associated with these requirements.

#### PAYMENT WILL BE MADE AS FOLLOWS:

- Posting fees will be accessed and paid to this office at the time of filing.
- 2) Billing for legal advertising, due upon receipt, will come from and should be remitted directly to the newspaper.

NON-PAYMENT OF ADVERTISING FEES WILL STAY ISSUANCE OF ZONING ORDER.

ARNOLD JABLON, DIRECTOR
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Please foward billing to:

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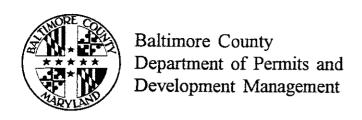
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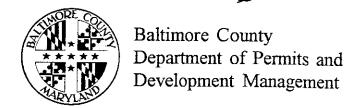
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Development Processing County Office Building 111 West Chesapeake Avenue Towson, Maryland 21204

February 16, 1996

David M. Meadows, Esquire 4111 E. Joppa Road Baltimore, MD 21236

RE: Item No.: 266

Case No.: 96-271-SPHA

Petitioner: Prospect Farm Ltd.

Partnership

Dear Mr. Meadows:

The Zoning Advisory Committee (ZAC), which consists of representatives from Baltimore County approval agencies, has reviewed the plans submitted with the above referenced petition, which was accepted for processing by Permits and Development Management (PDM), Zoning Review, on January 10, 1996.

Any comments submitted thus far from the members of ZAC that offer or request information on your petition are attached. These comments are not intended to indicate the appropriateness of the zoning action requested, but to assure that all parties (zoning commissioner, attorney, petitioner, etc.) are made aware of plans or problems with regard to the proposed improvements that may have a bearing on this case. Only those comments that are informative will be forwarded to you; those that are not informative will be placed in the permanent case file.

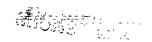
If you need further information or have any questions regarding these comments, please do not hesitate to contact the commenting agency or Joyce Watson in the zoning office (887-3391).

Sincerely,

W. Carl Richards, Jr.

Zoning Supervisor

WCR/jw
Attachment(s)





## BALTIMORE COUNTY, MARYLAND

#### INTER-OFFICE CORRESPONDENCE

TO: Arnold Jablon, Director, PDM DATE: January 25, 1996

FROM: Arnold F. 'Pat' Keller, III, Director, PO

SUBJECT: Worthington Park Section Three

INFORMATION:

Item Number: 266

Petitioner: Prospect Farm Limited Partnership

Property Size:

Zoning: RC-5 & DR-1

Requested Action: Variance

Hearing Date: / /

### SUMMARY OF RECOMMENDATIONS:

While staff does not oppose the applicant's request, it is clear that the petitioner will need to satisfy the burden imposed upon them to prove practical difficulty and/or unreasonable hardship to justify the granting of the subject Variance.

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Prepared by:

Division Chief:

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# BALTIMORE COUNTY, MARYLAND INTEROFFICE CORRESPONDENCE

TO: Arnold Jablon, Director DATE: Jan. 26, 1996 Zoning Administration and Development Management

FROM: Whobert W. Bowling, P.E., Chief Development Plans Review

RE: Zoning Advisory Committee Meeting for January 29, 1996
Items (266), 267 and 268 t

The Development Plans Review Division has reviewed the subject zoning items and we have no comments.

RWB:sw

### Baltimore County Government Fire Department



700 East Joppa Road Towson, MD 21286-5500

Office of the Fire Marshal (410) 887-4880

DATE: 01/25/96

Arnold Jablon
Director
Zoning Administration and
Development Management
Baltimore County Office Building
Towson, MD 21204
MAIL STOP-1105

RE: Property Owner: SEE BELOW

LOCATION: DISTRIBUTION MEETING OF JAN. 22, 1996.

Item No.: SEE BELOW

Zoning Agenda:

#### Gentlemen:

Pursuant to your request, the referenced property has been surveyed by this Bureau and the comments below are applicable and required to be corrected or incorporated into the final plans for the property.

8. The Fire Marshal's Office has no comments at this time, IN REFERENCE TO THE FOLLOWING ITEM NUMBERS (266,) 267, 268 AND 269.3

REVIEWER: LT. ROBERT P. SAUERWALD

Fire Marshal Office, PHONE 887-4881, MS-1102F

cc: File





David L. Winstead Secretary Hal Kassoff Administrator

Ms. Joyce Watson Baltimore County Office of Permits and Development Management County Office Building, Room 109 Towson, Maryland 21204

RE:

I-19-96

Baltimore County Item No. 266 (MJK)

Dear Ms. Watson:

This office has reviewed the referenced item and we have no objection to approval as it does not access a State roadway and is not affected by any State Highway Administration projects.

Please contact Bob Small at 410-333-1350 if you have any questions.

Thank you for the opportunity to review this item.

Very truly yours,

Ronald Burns, Chief Engineering Access Permits

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PETITION FOR SPECIAL HEARING

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Election District, 3rd Councilmanic

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BEFORE THE

ZONING COMMISSIONER

OF BALTIMORE COUNTY

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#### ENTRY OF APPEARANCE

Please enter the appearance of the People's Counsel in the abovecaptioned matter. Notice should be sent of any hearing dates or other proceedings in this matter and of the passage of any preliminary or final Order.

PETER MAX ZIMMERMAN

People's Counsel for Baltimore County

CAROLE S. DEMILIO

Deputy People's Counsel Room 47, Courthouse 400 Washington Avenue

Towson, MD 21204 (410) 887-2188

#### CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

day of February, 1996, a copy I HEREBY CERTIFY that on this of the foregoing Entry of Appearance was mailed to David M. Meadows, Esquire, 4111 E. Joppa Road, Baltimore, MD 21236, attorney for Petitioners.

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> 1) The Petitioners may apply for their building permit and be granted same upon receipt of this Order; however, Petitioners are hereby made aware that proceeding at this time is at their own risk until such time as the 30-day appellate process from this Order has expired. If, for whatever reason, this Order is reversed, the relief granted herein shall be rescinded.

> > Mustan lotrow IMOTHY M. KOTROCO Deputy Zoning Commissioner for Baltimore County

**Baltimore County Government** Zoning Commissioner Office of Planning and Zoning

Suite 112 Courthouse 400 Washington Avenue Towson, MD 21204

(410) 887-4386

March 5, 1996

David M. Meadows, Esquire 4111 E. Joppa Road Baltimore, Maryland 21236

RE: PETITIONS FOR SPECIAL HEARING AND VARIANCE SW/S Beecham Court and Avery Hill Drive (Lots 169, 170 & 171 of Worthington Park, Section 3) 4th Election District - 3rd Councilmanic District Prospect Farm Limited Partnership - Petitioners Case No. 96-271-SPHA

Dear Mr. Meadows:

Enclosed please find a copy of the decision rendered in the above-captioned matter. The Petitions for Special Hearing and Variance have been granted in accordance with the attached Order.

In the event any party finds the decision rendered is unfavorable, any party may file an appeal to the County Board of Appeals within thirty (30) days of the date of this Order. For further information on filing an appeal, please contact the Zoning Administration and Development Management office at 887-3391.

> TIMOTHY M. KOTROCO Deputy Zoning Commissioner for Baltimore County

cc: Mr. Larry Macks, Prospect Farm Limited Partnership 4750 Owings Mills Boulevard, Owings Mills, Md. 21117

People's Counsel

for the property located at Lot's 169 170 171 Reecham Ct
which is presently zoned RC-5/DR-1 This Petition shall be filed with the Office of Zoning Administration & Development Management. The undersigned, legal owner(s) of the property situate in Baltimore County and which is described in the description and plat attached hereto and made a part hereof, hereby petition for a Variance from Section(s) 1A04.3 B(3) to allow 15-foot setbacks from any lot line in lieu of the 50-foot as required by the regulation, and a 50-foot street Centiline suthack in Lieu of 75 feet. Also a special harring to omend the final development plan. of the Zoning Regulations of Baltimore County, to the Zoning Law of Baltimore County; for the following reasons: (indicate hardship or See Attached Statement of Reasons Property is to be posted and advertised as prescribed by Zoning Regulations. I, or we, agree to pay expenses of above Variance advertising, posting, etc., upon filing of this petition, and further agree to and are to be bound by the zoning regulations and restrictions of Baltimore County adopted pursuant to the Zoning Law for Baltimore County. I/We do solomnly declare and affirm, under the penalties of perjury, that I/we are the legal owner(s) of the property which is the subject of this Petition. rospect Farm Limited Partnership Larry Macks, Partner

<u>Baltimore, MD</u>

4750 Owings Mills Blvd. (410)356-9937

Name, Address and phone number of legal owner, contract purchaser or representative

REVIEWED BY: WIK

Petition for Variance

to the Zoning Commissioner of Baltimore County

STATEMENT OF REASONS 96-271-3PHA

Variance from Section 1A04.3B(2) to allow a 15' setback from any lot line in lieu of the required 50' in a RC-5 zone.

The proposed area variance is for an existing subdivision owned by the Petitioner, known as Worthington Park. The zoning for the subdivision ranges from DR-1 (71.78 acres), DR-2 (28.47 acres), RC-5 (4.15 acres). The specific portion of Worthington Park that is the subject of Petitioner's variance petition is a cul-de-sac consisting of five large residential lots. Two of the lots in the subdivision (Lots 167 and 168) are entirely in the DR-1 zone. The remaining three lots, which are the subject of this Petition are partially in the DR-1 zone and partially in the RC-5 zone.

As can be seen from the attached plat, not only are Lots 169-171 subject to two zoning classifications, they also straddle the metropolitan district extension line for water and sewer services. The subdivision, however, provides both water and sewer service to each of the lots in Worthington Park, including Lots 169-171.

As recounted in the zening regulations, the RC-5 zoning classification was established for rural residential development, in areas where basic services were not anticipated. Therefore, the RC classification has very large setbacks, both from proposed roadways and adjacent residential lots. However, in Worthington Park, the balance of the property is zoned either DR-1 or DR-2, and all of the lots in the subdivision regardless of their zoning have both public water and sewer access, along with other utilities.

THEREFORE, it is reasonable to allow an area variance in these unique circumstances to allow the three lots owned by the Petitioner, which are surrounded by DR lots, to have comparable setback area variances. The granting of the Petitioner's application will alleviate the practical difficulty of having otherwise identical lots with significantly different setbacks. And for other reasons or justifications which will be presented to the hearing officer during the hearing on this Petition.

W. DUVALL & ASSOCIATES, INC.

Engineers • Surveyors • Land Planners

96-271-SPHR ZONING DESCRIPTION

PART OF WORTHINGTON PARK SECTION THREE 4TH ELECTION DISTRICT BALTIMORE COUNTY, MARYLAND

BEGINNING for the same at a point being South 70 degrees 52 minutes 04 seconds West 45.81 feet from the centerline intersection of Avery Hill Drive (variable width) and Beecham Court (50 feet wide), said point also being designated as coordinate point No. 3026, all as shown on a plat entitled "Resubdivision Of A Portion Of Section Three Plat Four Worthington Park" and recorded among the Land Records of Baltimore County in Plat Book S.M. 65 folio

66: thence 1/ South 21 degrees 34 minutes 47 seconds East 14.85 feet: thence 2) South 20 degrees 45 minutes 21 seconds West 81.39 feet: thence 3) North 72 degrees 05 minutes 34 seconds West 745.27 feet: thence

4) North 23 degrees 57 minutes 37 seconds West 33.57 feet: thence 5) North 72 degrees 05 minutes 34 seconds West 237.09 feet: thence 6) North 72 degrees 10 minutes 08 seconds East 67.94 feet: thence 7) Northeasterly 741.79 feet along a tangent curve concave to the

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8) South 52 degrees 50 minutes 00 seconds East 156.95 feet: thence 9) Southeasterly 92.68 feet along a tangent curve concave to the northeast having a radius of 507.40 feet (the chord of said arc being South 58 degrees 03 milnutes 57 seconds East 92.55 feet) to the point of beginning.

CONTAINING 3.47 acres of land. more or less.



530 East Joppa Road/Towson, Maryland 21286/(410) 583-9571

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Room 118, Old Courthouse, 400 Washington Avenue, Towson, Maryland 21204 as follows:

CASE NUMBER: 96-271-SPHA (Item 266) Lots 169, 170, 171 Beecham Court - Worthington Park, Section III Corner S/S Avery Hill Drive, W/S Beecham Court 4th Election District - 3rd Councilmanic Legal Owner: Prospect Farm Limited Partnership

Special Hearing to amend the Final Development Plan. Variance to allow 15 foot setbacks from any lot line in lieu of the 50 foot and a 50 foot street centerline setback in lieu of 75 feet.

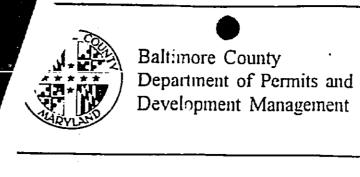
HEARING: FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 23, 1996 at 2:00 p.m. in Room 106, County Office Building.

Arnold Jablen

cc: Prospect Farm Limited Partnership David M. Meadows, Esq.

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Development Processing County Office Building 111 West Chesapeake Avenue Towson, Maryland 21204

# ZONING HEARING ADVERTISING AND POSTING REQUIREMENTS & PROCEDURES

Baltimore County zoning regulations require that notice be given to the general public/neighboring property owners relative to property which is the subject of an upcoming zoning hearing. For those petitions which require a public hearing, this notice is accomplished by posting a sign on the property and placement of a notice in at least one newspaper of general circulation in the County.

This office will ensure that the legal requirements for posting and advertising are satisfied. However, the petitioner is responsible for the costs associated with these requirements.

## PAYMENT WILL BE MADE AS FOLLOWS:

- 1) Posting fees will be accessed and paid to this office at the time of filing.
- 2) Billing for legal advertising, due upon receipt, will come from and should be remitted directly to the newspaper.

NON-PAYMENT OF ADVERTISING FEES WILL STAY ISSUANCE OF ZONING ORDER.

ARNOLD JABLON, DIRECTOR For newspaper advertising: Item No.: 266 Petitioner: Prospect Form Link & Partnership Location: Lots 169,170,171 Beecham Court / Within for fick - Sec TI PLEASE FORWARD ADVERTISING BILL TO: NAME: David M. Mealows ADDRESS: 4111 E. Japan Roul 15.16. MO. 21236 PHONE NUMBER: (410) 529- 4600

BALTIMORE COUNTY, MARYLAND INTER-GFFICE CORRESPONDENCE

TO: Arnold Jablon, Director, PDM

DATE: January 25, 1996

FROM: Arnold F. 'Pat' Keller, III, Director, PO

INFORMATION

Item Number:

SUBJECT: Worthington Park Section Three

Prospect Farm Limited Partnership

Property Size:

Petitioner:

While staff does not oppose the applicant's request, it is clear that the petitioner will need to satisfy the burden imposed upon them to prove practical difficulty and/or unreasonable hardship to justify the granting of the subject Variance.

BALTIMORE COUNTY, MARYLAND
INTEROFFICE CORRESPONDENCE

TO: Arnold Jablon, Director DATE: Jan. 26, 1996 Zoning Administration and Development Management FROM: Whobert W. Bowling, P.E., Chief Development Plans Review

RE: Zoning Advisory Committee Meeting for January 29, 1996 Items (266) 267 and 268 t

The Development Plans Review Division has reviewed the subject zoning items and we have no comments.

TO: PUTUXENT PUBLISHING COMPANY

CASE NUMBER: 96-271-SPHA (Item 266)

Corner S/S Avery Hill Drive, W/S Beecham Court

Special Hearing to amend the Final Development Plan.

4th Election District - 3rd Councilmanic Legal Owner: Prospect Farm Limited Partnership

centerline setback in lieu of 75 feet.

ZONING COMMISSIONER FOR BALTIMORE COUNTY

LAWRENCE E. SCHOUDT

Lots 169, 170, 171 Beecham Court - Worthington Park, Section III

Please foward billing to:

David M. Meadows, Esq

4111 E. Joppa Road Baltimore, MD 21236

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Variance to allow 15 foot setbacks from any lot line in lieu of the 50 foot and a 50 foot street

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February 16, 1996

David M. Meadows, Esquire 4111 E. Joppa Road Baltimore, MD 21236

> RE: Item No.: 266 Case No.: 96-271-SPHA Petitioner: Prospect Farm Ltd. Partnership

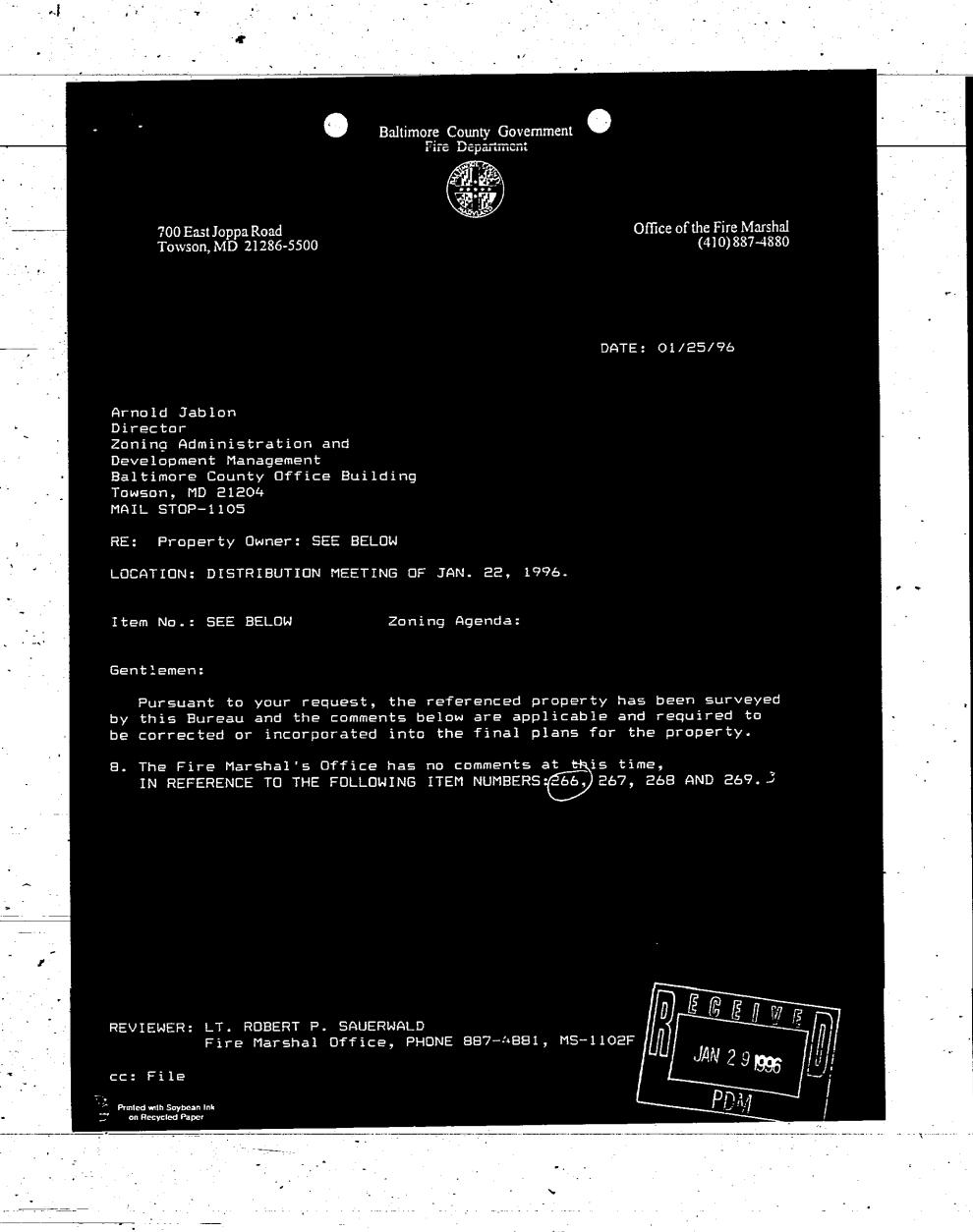
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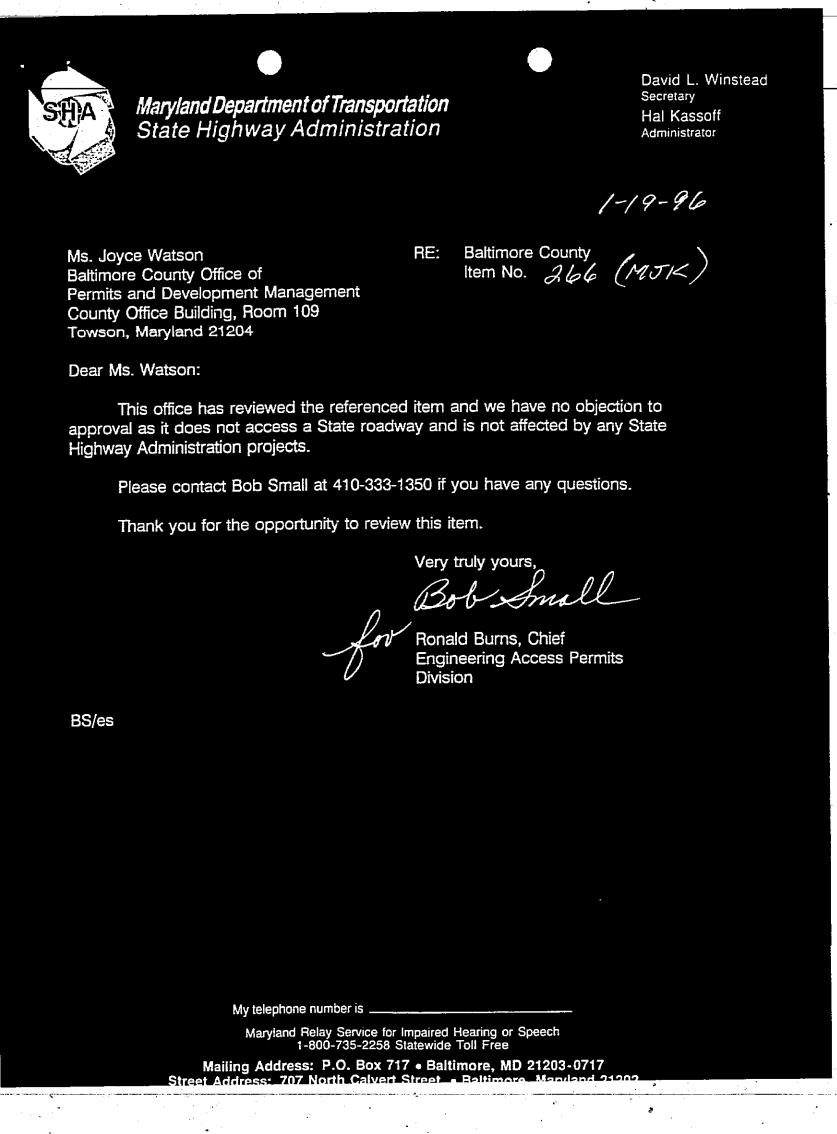
The Zoning Advisory Committee (ZAC), which consists of representatives from Baltimore County approval agencies, has reviewed the plans submitted with the above referenced petition, which was accepted for processing by Permits and Development Management (PDM), Zoning Review, on January 10, 1996.

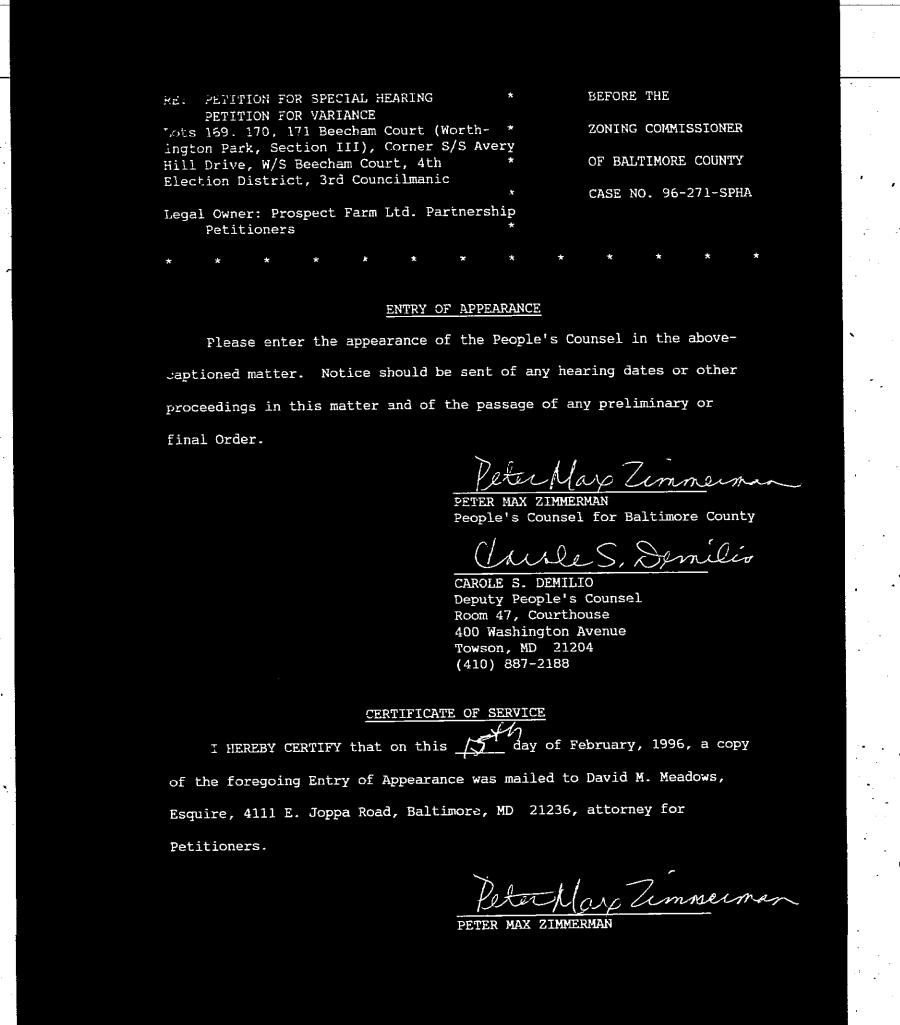
Any comments submitted thus far from the members of ZAC that offer or request information on your petition are attached. These comments are not intended to indicate the appropriateness of the zoning action requested, but to assure that all parties (zoning commissioner, attorney, petitioner, etc.) are made aware of plans or problems with regard to the proposed improvements that may have a bearing on this case. Only those comments that are informative will be forwarded to you; those that are not informative will be placed in the permanent case file.

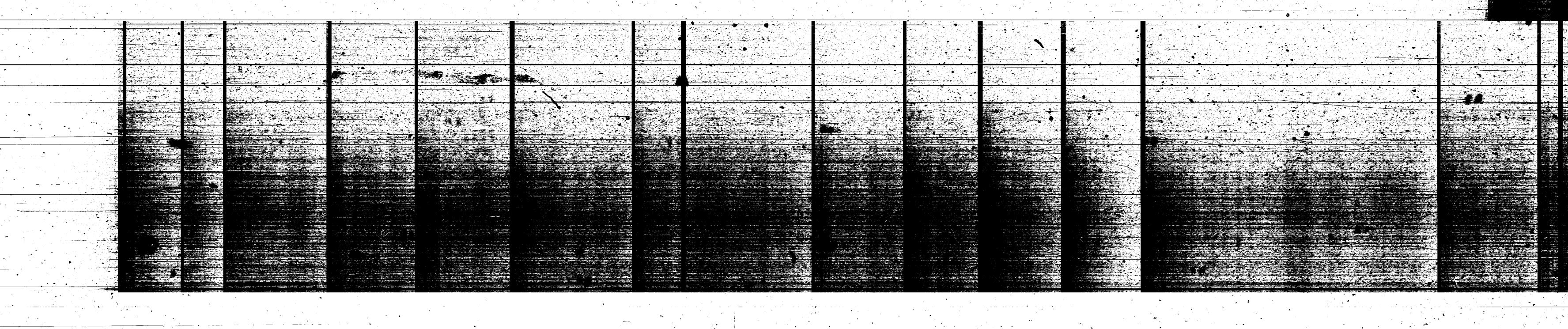
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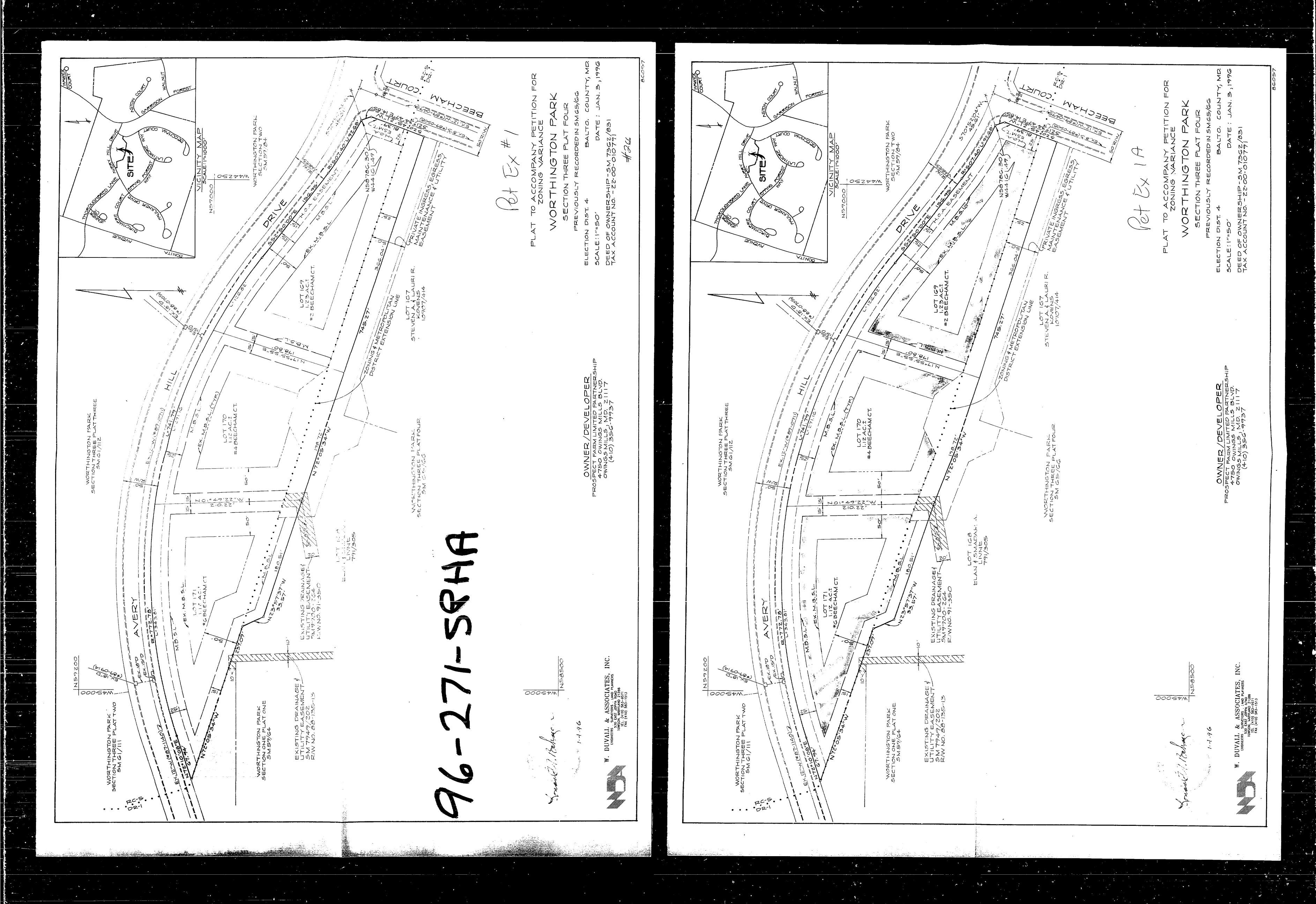
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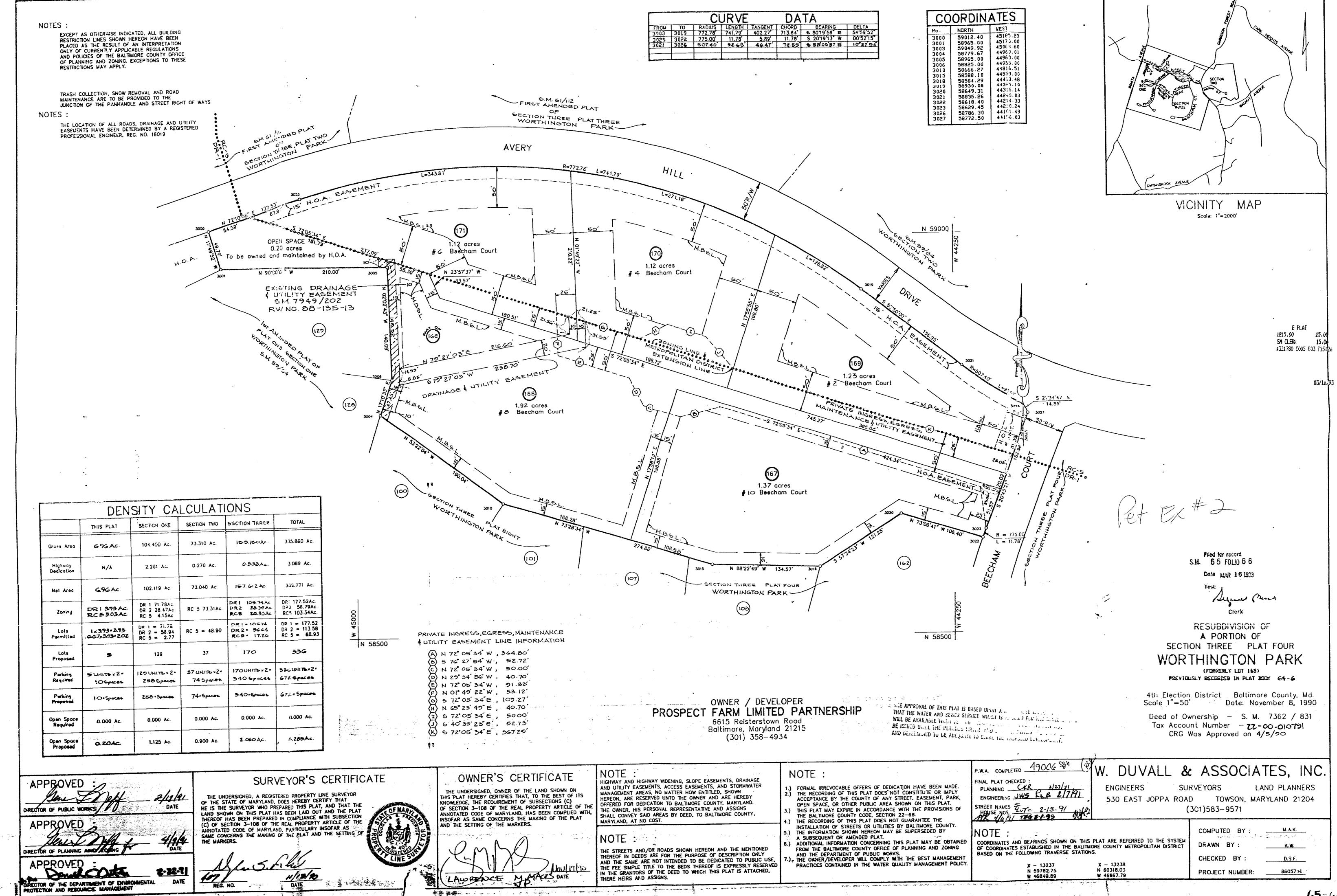


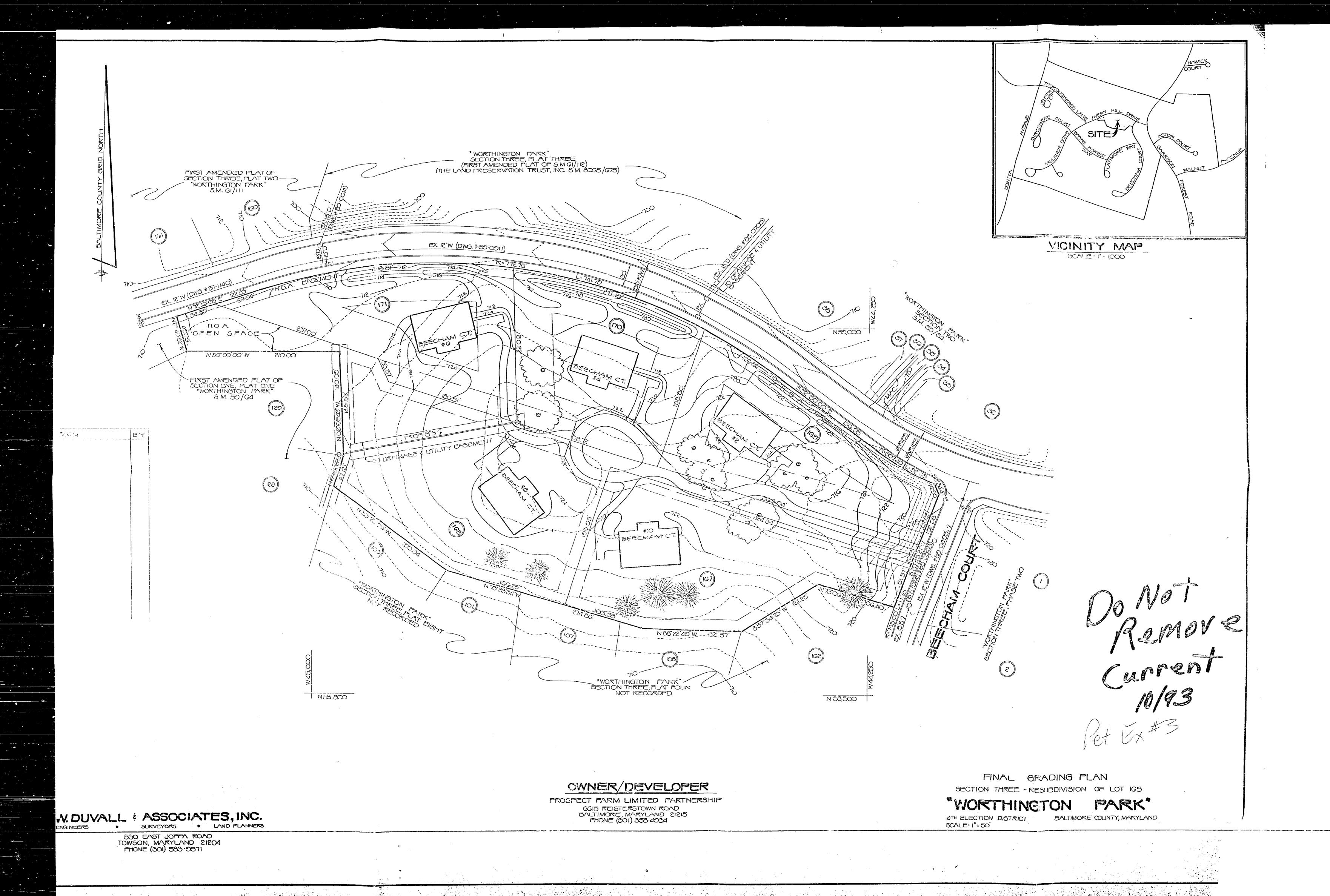


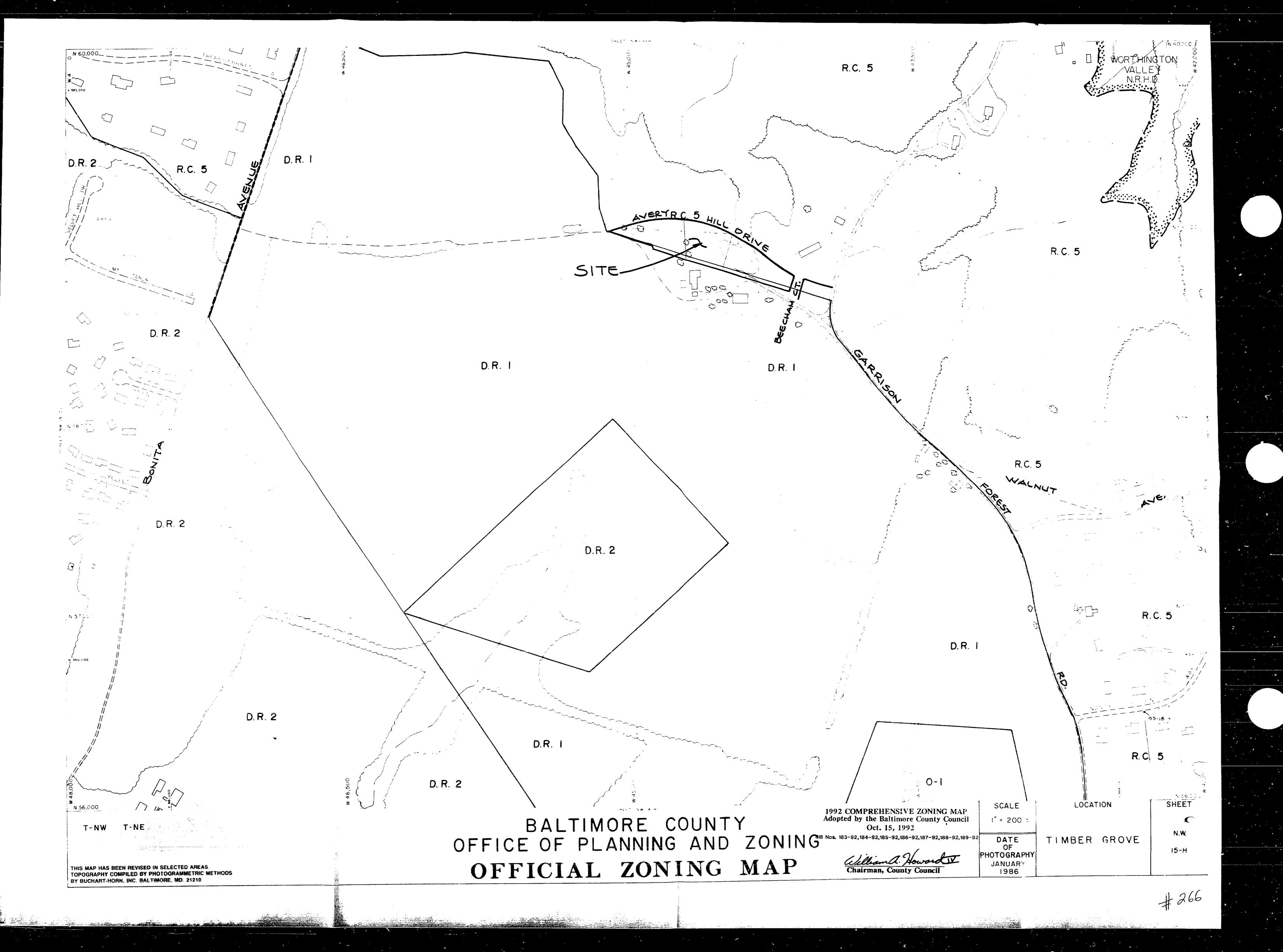












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